



NANAKULI-MAILI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 36

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2011 NANAIAKAPONO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Patty Teruya called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. **with a quorum of five (5) members present.** Note - This nine (9) member Board requires five (5) members to establish a quorum and take official Board action.

Members Present: John Kaopua III, Kimo Kelii (arrived at 7:25 p.m.), Henry Kaiawe Makanani (arrived at 7:25 p.m.), James Manaku Sr., Cynthia Rezentes, Patty Teruya and Neddie Waiamau-Nunuha.

Members Absent: Hanalei Aipoalani and Jordan Avilla III.

Vacancies: None.

Guests: Jewelynn Kirkland (Nanakuli High and Intermediate School); Sanoë Marfil and Danton Naone (INPEACE); Polly 'Granny' Grace, Sandy Nahoopii-Soong (Board of Water Supply), Lincoln Naiwi and Mel Kahele (Iron Workers Union 625), August Ahuna; Lieutenant Franklin Pugliese and Officer Joe Tabarejo (Honolulu Police Department); Captain Carl Otsuka (Honolulu Fire Department), Antonio Benavides, Lupena Benavides, Kawika Benavides, Dixie Kalamau, Councilmember Tom Berg, Evelyn Souza and Celeste Lacuesta (Councilmember Berg's Office), Franklin Souza, Roger Lacuesta, Al Tufono (Mayor's Representative and Deputy Director of the City Department of Parks and Recreation), Irene Awana (Representative Karen Awana's Office), Roselani and Faatalale Auelua, Arviella Benavides, Josette Germano, Richard Landford (Lualualei Hawaiian Civic Club), Mapuana Tector (Parent Teacher Student Association), Arviella Kelii, Valerie-Mae Manoa, Marialena Kalamau, Kristopher Earll (Waianae Community Outreach), Chasid Sapolu (Senator Maile Shimabukuro's Office), Dave Amodo and Dayton Oshiro (Videographers), and Leland S.M. Ribac (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

WELCOME/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Teruya thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting. Waiamau-Nunuha lead in Hawaii Pono'i and Chair Teruya in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY MONTHLY REPORTS:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Captain Carl Otsuka reported;

- **Fire Statistics for May 2011:** Included 6 structure fires, 2 wildland fires, 3 rubbish fires, 1 vehicle fire, 72 medical emergencies, 2 search and rescues and 10 miscellaneous emergencies.
- **Fire Safety Tip:** The risk of wildland fires increases as summer approaches. Residents were urged to have an emergency preparedness plan and evacuation route ready in case of an evacuation. It has been suggested that residents create a 30-foot wildfire break by clearing vegetation and clutter around homes.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: **Firework Collection Dates:** It was questioned and clarified that HFD will be collecting illegal fireworks at several locations throughout the month. The fireworks will be placed in an amnesty bin; Captain Otsuka will follow-up on exact dates and locations.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD): Lieutenant Franklin Pugliese reported;

- **Crime Statistics for May 2011:** Included a total of 541 arrests of which 388 were adult arrests and 153 were juvenile arrests; a total of 7,189 call for service in District 8.
- **Safety Tip of the Month:** As drug activity becomes a major concern to all citizens, residents suspecting drug dealing or activity in the neighborhood are encouraged to contact the HPD Narcotics/Vice Division at 529-3101, the Attorney General's Office Drug Nuisance Abatement Unit at 586-1328 or the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) at 541-1930.



Questions, comments and concerns followed: Community Policing Team: Chair Teruya welcomed and introduced Officer Joe Tabarejo of the Community Policing Team assigned to the district. Applause followed.

City Councilmember Tom Berg: Councilmember Berg invited the community to participate in his upcoming Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday, July 12, 2011 at Makaha Elementary School beginning at 6:00 p.m. Councilmember Berg also noted that a Special Meeting of the City Council Planning Committee will be held on Friday, July 8, 2011 at the Nanaikapono Elementary School Cafeteria beginning at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the Waianae Sustainable Communities Plan. Community input is being sought on the plan.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. High Cost Sewage Rates: A Board member raised concerns with the current cost of sewage rates and the impact on families with large amounts of individuals in one household. It was explained that the rates are determined by volume use in a household, which may explain such a high cost to the family.
2. Shortage of Camp Sites: Concerns were raised regarding the shortage of legal campsites in the district. Concerns were also raised regarding illegal campers or squatters in the district. It was noted that campsites are nearly 90% filled every week due to the summer months.
3. Night Time Fishing Resolution: Concerns were raised regarding nighttime fishing access; Councilmember Berg noted that a draft resolution has been provided to the Board, which was intended to be worked on in committee. Councilmember Berg will again provide the draft resolution.
4. Neutral Stance on Issues: A Board member requested that the Councilmember remain neutral in his stance regarding the Lualualei Light Industrial Baseyard and the Honolulu City Rail projects. It was noted that comments provided by the Councilmember seem to oppose the projects, which the community supports.
5. City Committee Tenacity: Councilmember Berg was applauded for his tenacity in City Council committee meetings, noting that his actions follow the lead of the Neighborhood Board. Chair Teruya was thanked for her testimony in Council Committee as well.
6. Board Committee Attendance: Councilmember Berg and staff were thanked for their attendance at the regular and committee meetings held by the Board. It was noted that other community legislators and leaders have been invited multiple times and have not attended.
7. Rail Town Hall Meeting: Comments were made pertaining to the Rail Town Hall Meeting organized by the Councilmember on Wednesday, June 15, 2011. It was explained that Pro-Rail Legislators, rail experts and several State and City department directors were invited but did not attend. Councilmember Berg noted that the meeting was not intended to be an anti-rail meeting.
8. Waimanalo Gulch Landfill Breach: Councilmember Berg has reviewed a response letter explaining the details of the Waimanalo Gulch Landfill breach, which occurred several months ago. Councilmember Berg noted that the report is lacking details such as who is paying for the damage and breach.
9. Community Benefits Package: The Councilmember apologized as his report was not yet available, but was in transit. It was announced that a \$1.5 million community benefits package has been obtained through City Council. Councilmember Berg thanked Kelii and his Parks and Recreation Committee for their hard work.
10. Important Legislation: Concerns were raised with the passing of Council Resolution 11-70 which created an Agricultural Liaison. Concerns noted that the position was created without proper definition or description. It was also questioned and clarified that Council Bill 44 Committee Draft (CD) 1, pertaining to real Property Tax, has been referred back to the Budget Committee.

Mayor's Representative: Al Tufono, Deputy Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) reported;

- Capital Improvement Project (CIP) List: The City Department of Environmental Services (ENV) will be providing a list of all CIP's from the Waimanalo Gulch Community Benefits Package. Once the list is obtained a copy will be provided to Chair Teruya.

- Parks and Recreation Committee Meetings: The City Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) provided follow-ups pertaining to the rotation system for the Waianae Parks Complex. It was noted that the Parks and Recreation Committee is requesting the continued presence of a DPR representative. A Board member also noted that the rotation system is not working; Tufono to follow-up.
- Waimanalo Gulch Community Benefits Package: Councilmember Berg was applauded for his work in restoring funding for the Waimanalo Gulch Community Benefits Package. Tufono noted that the City Council did place the \$1.5 million in the DPR budget. DPR looks forward to working with the Neighborhood Boards in the near future.
- Hakimo and Waianae Access Road Signage: The City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) will be conducting an investigation regarding the signage along Hakimo Road at Kaukai Road and inform the Board of their findings by the July 2011 regular Board meeting.
- Low Hanging Electrical Wire: On June 2, 2011, District 8 Patrol Officers conducted a check of Hakimo Road near the 17th utility pole. Officers observed a black colored non-electrical wire tied to the utility pole with yellow safety tape. The wire was not deemed a safety hazard.

Board members Kelii and Makaanani arrived at 7:25 p.m.; **a quorum of seven (7) members present.**

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Real Property Tax Increases: A Board member raised concerns with the proposed real property tax credits and exemptions, noting that homeowners are being charged more, while renter's charges are decreased.
2. Waimanalo Gulch Community Benefits Package Audit: A Board member commented on the decision made by Mayor Carlisle to eliminate the entire benefits package. It was noted that the audit conducted reflects the City's inability to manage the benefits package, noting that only 19 of 235 reports were ever filed.
3. City Parks Parking Fees: Concerns were raised regarding the proposal to charge parking fees at City parks. A Board member requested the Mayor look into possible exemptions and or rules be put in place, should the fees be enacted.
4. Nanakuli Beach Park Facilities: A Board member noted that the Board's next regular meeting in July 2011 may be held at the Nanakuli Beach Park. It was requested that as Deputy Director of DPR, Tufono ensure the light fixtures and restroom facilities are working and safe.
5. Proposed Nanakuli Regional Park: A community member raised questions pertaining to the proposed Nanakuli Regional Park, noting that the Public Infrastructure Map (PIM) symbol remains on the site. It was questioned why the Mayor's Administration does not support the project due to funding constraints if \$3 million has been allocated.

Board of Water Supply (BWS): Sandy Nahoopii-Soong reported:

- Main Breaks: No water main breaks reported in the month of May.
- General Water Announcement: Every year, the BWS conducts thousands of tests on the water source and distribution system to ensure federal and safe drinking water standards are met. Residents should receive an annual water quality report by July 1, 2010.
- Construction Work Update: The project continues with day-time work. Okada Trucking is working in Pili-O-Koe Stream; there will be no lane closures at this time, as well as no night-time work. Electronic signboards have been placed and will notify residents of any possible lane closures.

Military Representatives: No report or representative available at this time.

RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS: Several concerns were raised at this time;

Education and Race to the Top: A Board member expressed several concerns pertaining to education level in all schools on the Waianae Coast. Concerns were specifically focused on the 'Senior Contract' or Policy 45-40 of the State Department of Education (DOE). The Board member raised concerns at an earlier Board of Education (BOE) meeting, in which he was told the BOE would investigate the issue.

Revision of Land Use: A Board member raised concerns with a proposal currently before the City Council that would revise the land use ordinance. Residents were cautioned as other communities such as Kalihi have already experienced the adverse effect of land use changes.

Lack of Agriculture and Farmlands: Concerns were raised with the lack of actual farms on the Waianae Coast. It was noted that a low percentage of agricultural lands are actually being used to farm. It was suggested that government agencies help stimulate the agricultural economy.

Proposed Nanakuli Regional Park: A community member referenced a letter he had prepared pertaining to the proposed Nanakuli Regional Park. The letter questioned the Neighborhood Board's position on the proposed park. The letter also raised questions regarding the location of the proposed Waianae Regional Park, comparing several different issues such as the presence of iwi kupuna and Native Hawaiian plants and animals.

Core and Elective Classes: A community member raised concerns with the current education system, noting that a proposal to reduce core classes and increase elective courses is detrimental to the students. Concerns were also raised with the lack of support in Native Hawaiian scholarships by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) and the State Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL).

Lack of Affordable Housing: A community member raised concerns regarding the lack of affordable housing in the community, noting that she is currently a volunteer at a shelter in Kalaeloa. The community member noted that there is a process to be followed when entering a shelter.

Landfill Selection Committee: A community member raised concerns regarding the lack of representation from the Mayor's Landfill Selection Committee. It was noted that sites are being looked at on the Leeward Coast. Members were urged to stay alert on the issue and stay apprised of any information.

Certificate of Recognition: Chair Teruya and member Kelii provided outgoing members Avilla III, Kaopua III and Waiamau-Nunuha with certificates of recognition and lei. The three outgoing members were thanked for their community service and willingness to serve on the Neighborhood Board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES/AGENDA:

Approval of June 21, 2011 Regular Meeting Agenda: **Kelii moved and Kaopua III seconded the approval of the June 21, 2011 regular meeting agenda. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0-0, (Aye: Kaopua III, Kelii, Makanani, Manaku Sr., Rezentes, Teruya and Waiamau-Nunuha.)**

Approval of April 19, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes: **Kelii moved and Makanani seconded the approval of the April 19, 2011 regular meeting minutes. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0-0, (Aye: Kaopua III, Kelii, Makanani, Manaku Sr., Rezentes, Teruya and Waiamau-Nunuha.)**

Approval of May 17, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes: **Kelii moved and Makanani seconded the approval of the May 17, 2011 regular meeting minutes. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0-0, (Aye: Kaopua III, Kelii, Makanani, Manaku Sr., Rezentes, Teruya and Waiamau-Nunuha.)**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Transportation/Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization Committee: Committee Chair Manaku Sr. announced that Piliokahi Avenue received the needed bus stops discussed at a previous meeting.

Question, comments and concerns followed: Designated Left Turns: A Board member encouraged residents to attend a community meeting on Tuesday, June 28, 2011 at Maili Elementary School at 10:00 a.m. regarding the proposed designated left turn lanes for Nanakuli and Haleakala Avenues.

Planning & Zoning Committee: No report at this time.

Education Committee: Committee Chair Kelii reported that the Race to the Top funds equal up to \$75 million to go to educational purposes in the community. The funds require an evaluation of performance based teachers; however it seems the teacher's union is opposed to such an evaluation. Kelii expressed the need for the community to evaluate the teachers and principals in all area schools on the Waianae Coast.

Parks & Recreation/Parks Beautification Committee: Committee Chair Kelii reported that the Board's Permitted Interaction Groups (PIG) continue to move forward.

- Host Community Compensation Package: The Host Community Compensation Package PIG met on Monday, June 6, 2011. The PIG continues to research and tailor the needs of the community. It was noted that this host community package is not to compromise the presence of any landfill in the community, but will provide a monetary give back to the community for as long as the landfill is in the community.
- Vendor Opportunities at Kahe and Tracks Beach Park: The PIG investigating vendor opportunities at Kahe and Tracks Beach Parks also continue to look at options to generate revenue for the community. Several comments have been made by riders of the Hawaiian Railway Society, whose train rides end at Tracks Beach Park. Riders noted they would be in favor of commercial opportunities at the end of the route.

Housing Committee: Committee Chair Rezentes reported that there are several initiatives and objectives in the Governor's 90-day plan. Concerns have been raised regarding 'outside' homeless utilizing shelter space, which in turn leaves the leeward coast homeless population no where to go. The next committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 30, 2011 at St. Philips Episcopal Church at 7:00 p.m. Included on the agenda is Council Resolution 11-54 regarding the Matson containers to be utilized for housing on agricultural land.

Agriculture Committee: Committee Chair Makanani held a committee meeting in May, unfortunately the three community members in attendance were not farmers. It was noted that over 1,000 acres of agricultural land in Nanakuli and Maili are not being farmed. The next committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 6, 2011 at the Nanakuli Beach Park at 5:00 p.m.

BOARD BUSINESS:

Kalaeloa Advisory Team (KAT) Update: The Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) held a public hearing last month regarding the rules and regulations proposed for Kalaeloa. Comments are to be consolidated and referred back to the working group and the Attorney General's office. Once the rules are passed by HCDA, it will be transmitted to the Governor for final approval.

Treasurer's Report: The item was deferred at this time.

Chair's Report: No report at this time.

Unfinished Business: Board to Discuss Monthly Meeting Locations: Nanakuli Beach Park or St. Phillips Church: Chair Teruya explained that Board member Aipoalani researched several meeting locations to hold regular board meetings. Aipoalani researched the Nanakuli Beach Park meeting room and St. Philips Episcopal Church meeting hall. Both locations are free of charge, noting that the current facility, Nanaikapono Elementary School cafeteria, charges a fee.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Both Locations and Communities: Several suggestions were made to look at the possibility of holding meetings in Nanakuli as well as meetings in Maili. It was further suggested that a majority of the meetings be held in Nanakuli, with one or two meetings in Maili.
2. Nanakuli Beach Park: It was questioned and clarified that Nanakuli Beach Park's meeting room is available and has been reserved for every third Tuesday of the month.

Kelii moved and Kaopua seconded to hold the July regular board meeting at Nanakuli Beach Park's meeting room at 7:00 p.m. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0-0, (Aye: Kaopua III, Kelii, Makanani, Manaku Sr., Rezentes, Teruya and Waiamau-Nunuha.)

New Business:

Board member Waiamau-Nunuha retired from the meeting at 8:55 p.m. ; **a quorum of six (6) members present.**

Ko Olina Triathlon and Bike Course: No report or representative available at this time.

Board member Manaku Sr., retired from the meeting at 9:05 p.m.; **a quorum of five (5) members present.**

The Education Committee recommends that the Nanakuli-Mailii Neighborhood Board write a 'letter of support' for the INPEACE-Hawaii Program called 'Outdoor Classroom': Danton Naone along with Sanoë Marfil provided several handouts highlighting the INPEACE Kupu Ola Program, an alternative tool to support and enhance what teachers are already working to accomplish. Kupu Ola plans to build on keiki's strengths and incorporate indoor and outdoor Native Hawaiian teachings to children's learning experiences. A PowerPoint presentation was provided, highlighting several aspects of the overall INPEACE program. A flyer highlighted several free community programs available to area schools and community organizations. Naone noted that INPEACE looks to work with instructors, such as local educator Jewelynn Kirkland from Nanakuli High and Intermediate School who was in attendance tonight.

Kelii moved on behalf of the Education Committee and therefore not requiring a second, that the Nanakuli-Mailii Neighborhood Board No. 36 write a letter of support for the INPEACE Kupu Ola Program. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 5-0-0, (Aye: Kaopua III, Kelii, Makaanani, Rezentos, and Teruya.)

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Community Support: Several Board and community members voiced strong support for this type of project, noting that keiki of Hawaiian ancestry will benefit and learn from this type of educational system.
2. Support of Nanakuli High School: Jewelynn Kirkland of Nanakuli High and Intermediate School spoke in support of this project, noting that Principal Darren Piliialoha supports the Kupu Ola Program initiatives. It was noted that the school is very interested in working with INPEACE.

Board to Discuss City Council Resolution 11-54 CD2 Proposing an Amendment to Chapter 21, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 (The Land Use Ordinance), as Amended, Relating to Temporary Shelters: Councilmember Berg provided a brief history of events that led up to the creation of City Council Resolution 11-54, noting that the idea was first introduced by Senator Maile Shimabukuro. Resolution 11-54 is currently in Committee Draft 1 form and has been referred back to committee. The resolution would allow retrofitted shipping containers to be placed on agricultural lands to house homeless at the approval of the landowner. The retrofitted containers will be allowed to stay on the land for no more than five years. Councilmember Berg is seeking input from the Leeward Coast neighborhood boards and their respective communities, and has provided a CD2 version in his handout.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Stipulation and Unanswered Aspects: A Board member raised concerns with the current wording of the resolution, noting that there is no limitation on the number of containers that may be placed on each parcel. Questions were also raised pertaining to enforcement of responsible behavior and possible land forfeiture. Councilmember Berg noted that the CD2 version will include limitations on the amount of container that may be placed on any given parcel.
2. Possible Immigration Issue: Concerns of the previous speaker were reiterated, and noted the possibility of becoming an immigration issue. It was questioned is safeguards will be included in the possible CD2 form.
3. Trailer Park Homes Similarity: A Board member noted that while he resided on the mainland, homeless were never seen as they had a home in trailer parks. Although the resolution is not creating a trailer park, it is evident that the homeless situation on the Leeward Coast is worsening. It was suggested that specific areas be designated to house the shipping containers to remove the possibility of the containers staying in the community on agricultural lands forever.
4. Leeward Housing Coalition: A Board member noted that the Leeward Housing Coalition is not opposed to the idea, but raises questions pertaining to safety and security, property exemptions, possibilities of adverse affects on neighboring agricultural lands. Rezentos noted that the resolution should be further discussed before a formal position is taken.

5. Timetable of Resolution: It was questioned and clarified that the resolution has no exact timetable, and does not need to be rushed. Housing Committee Chair Rezentes noted that the item will be discussed on the next Housing Committee agenda. Councilmember Berg noted that the resolution will move forward when the community and Board thinks it's ready.

Elected Officials:

Office of United States Representative Mazie Hirono: Keli raised concern with the lack of representation from the Congresswoman's office. It was noted that the Congresswoman was asked to help with State Department of Transportation (DOT) concerns in the district but has not responded.

Senator Maile Shimabukuro: Chasid Sapolu provided the Senator's written report and highlighted;

- End of Session/Governor Contact: It was explained that as the legislative session has concluded, residents are asked to contact the Governor in support of releasing necessary funds appropriated this session. Included in the handout was a list of budget items for the Waianae Coast. The Governor's veto list is anticipated by the end of this month.
- Ma'o Ma Town Annual Fundraiser: Residents were welcomed to participate in the Ma'o Ma Town Annual Fundraiser on Saturday, June 25, 2011 at the Hawaii State Art Museum Lawn from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Nanakuli High School Gym: It was questioned and clarified that the more support, either via telephone or letter, the better. The repairs to the Nanakuli High and Intermediate School leaking gym roof has been appropriated, but has not yet been released by the Governor.
2. Constitutional Amendment Challenges: It was requested the Senator's office provide follow-up regarding a challenge to the State Constitution. Sapolu noted that the challenge failed earlier in the session; however, the Senator agrees with the initiatives based on the environmental injustice by landfills that communities like Nanakuli are having to face.

Representative Karen Awana: No report or representative available at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Several announcements were made at this time;

- Firework Amnesty Bins: A Board member thanked HFD for their speedy response in regards to the fireworks amnesty bins, noting that the Nanakuli and Waianae drop-off dates were on June 18 and 19, 2011. The next closest drop-off locations would be Mililani Mauka on July 9 and 10, 2011.
- Next Board Meeting: Chair Teruya reminded residents that the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at the Nanakuli Beach Park meeting room beginning at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Submitted By: Leland S.M. Ribac, Neighborhood Assistant